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SUBJECT: Definition of Disabled Veteran – Disabled Veteran License Plate Program

The purpose of the memo is to provide clarification about the definition of "disabled veteran" as it relates to the Disabled Veteran License Plate Program. At this time, a disabled veteran is defined in code as:

Any person who, as a result of injury or disease suffered while on active service with the armed forces of the United States, suffers any of the following:

- (a) Has a disability which has been rated at 100 percent by the Department of Veterans Affairs or the military service from which the veteran was discharged, due to a diagnosed disease or disorder which substantially impairs or interferes with mobility.*
- (b) Is so severely disabled as to be unable to move without the aid of an assistant device.*
- (c) Has lost, or has lost use of, one or more limbs.*
- (d) Has suffered permanent blindness, as define in Section 19153 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.*

A veteran with an overall disability rating of 100% from one or more injuries, diseases or disorders and those awarded a disability compensation rate of 100% due to individual unemployability meet the definition of item (a) if the injury, disease or disorder "substantially impairs the veteran's mobility".

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